

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below my name.

I verily believe I am/we are the original, first and sole/joint inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**3-Mercaptoacetyl-amino-1,5-Substituted-2-Oxo-Azepan Derivatives Useful as Inhibitors of Matrix Metalloproteinase**

and the specification of which ☐ is attached hereto (Attorney Docket No. **M01846A**)  
 (check one) ☒ was filed on **July 15, 1997** as U.S. Application Number  
 and was amended on (if applicable).  
☐ was described and claimed in PCT Int'l Application Number filed on  
 and as amended under PCT Article 19 on (if any).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

☐ I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below. I have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Foreign Priority:	Number _____	Country _____	Day/Month/Year Filed _____
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Prior Foreign Appln(s):	Number _____	Country _____	Day/Month/Year Filed _____
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X I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below:

**08/719,291 (Converted to Provisional on 6/10/97 Serial No. not yet assigned)**  
 Number \_\_\_\_\_

**9/19/96**  
 Filing Date

☐ I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

Application Serial No.	Filing Date	Status (Patented, Pending)
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